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HUMBLE IS GAINING AGAIN

Production Increased From 52,000 on March 31 to 72,000 on April 15—Twenty-five Wells Completed the First Two Weeks of This Month—Forty-nine Wells Producing and Seventy Wells Drilling—Seventeen Derricks Up on New Locations—A Spectacular Blow-out at the Swayne Well—Pipe Line to Houston Is in Operation and the Sun Company Is Getting Right of way For a Line to Sour Lake—Field Has Produced 3,500,000 Barrels of Oil of Which 2,200,000 Barrels Remain in Storage.

New producers at Humble in the two weeks from April 1 to 15 increased the output of that field about 20,000 barrels, making it 72,000 barrels, against 52,000 barrels on the last day of March.

Twenty-five wells were completed during the first two weeks of the present month, as follows:

L. M. Hoge No. 1, on the De Merritt.
J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company No. 2, lot 8, block 3, Cherry.
J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company No. 3, same location.
Murphy Bros. No. 2, lot 5, block 3, Cherry.
Murphy Bros. No. 3, lot 5, block 4, Cherry.
House & Beatty No. 6, lot 11, block 3, Cherry.
House & Beatty No. 7, lot 8, block 4, Chery.
Tabor No. 1, strip 5, Weed.
Moonshine No. [illegible], on the Dunman.
Heywood Oil Company No. 1, strip 5, Weed.
Heywood Oil Company No. 3, lot 3, block 3, Cherry.
Wood & Brooks No. 2 on the Conway.
Wood Fondren No. 3, lot 6, block 3, Cherry.
Wood & Fondren No. 4, same location.
Moonshine-Producers-Hughes No. 2 on the Dannenbaum.
Moonshine-Producers-Hughes No. 3 on the Dannenbaum.
Smith & Granberry No. 2 on the Herman.
Burt-McGaffey No. 1, lot 21, block 2, Cherry.
Simms No. 2, lot 20, block 1, Cherry.
Moonshine No. 17, acre 35, Long.
Jordan Gully No. 9, acre 17, Long.
Elkhorn Oil Company No. 1, acre 18, Long.
Hamilton Oil Co. No. 2, acre 32, Long
Sunset Oil Company No. 2, acre 10, Long.
Ambercrombie No. 3, acre 31, Long.

Several of the new wells are strong, notably the Hoge No. 1, which has yielded from 6,000 to 7,000 barrels a day since it came in on the 8th, and the House & Beatty Nos. 6 and 7 which together are doing from 9,000 to 11,000 barrels. It has been reported that one of the House & Beatty wells is good for 15,000 barrels, but confirmation is lacking.

List of Wells Producing on April 15.

Humble was credited with a gross production of 72,000 barrels on April 15. A list of the principal wells contributing to the field's output and a conservative estimate of the production of each, stated in barrels, follows:

L. M. Hoge No. 1	6000
Simms No. 1	1800
Simms No. 2	2400
J. M. Guffey Pet Co. No. 2, pump station acre	4000
Sinclair & Crosbie Nos. 1 and 2	800
Moonshine Nos. 4 and 8	300
J. M. Guffey Pet Co. Nos 1, 2 and 3 on the Cherry	1800
House & Beatty Nos. 6 and 7	9000
Beatty Nos. 2, 3 and 4	4300
Murphy Bros. No. 1	2300
Wood & Fondren Nos. 3 and 4	1800
Texas-Kentucky Oil Company No. 2	400
Tenderfoot No. 1	1800
Big Hill Oil & Fuel Nos. 1 and 2	1300
Higgins O. & F. Co. No. 1 on the Cherry	4600
Higgins Nos. 3, 4, 5 and 6 and Black Development Co. No. 1	2000
Paraffine Nos. 1 and 3	8000
Drillers Oil Company No. 1	500
Moonshine Nos. 9 and 10	2600
Pt. Vernon Oil Company No. 1	800
Heywood Oil Company Nos. 1, 2 and 3, Cherry	1200
Commonwealth Nos. 1 and 3	2200
McAvoy No. 1	1600
Maxwell & Ryan No. 1	300
Producers-Hughes-Moonshine No 1	1300
Brice & Brooks No. 1	2800
East Texas Oil Company No. 1	400
Lovegrove No. 1	1200
United O. & R. Company No. 1	100
Edgar No. 1	4300

The foregoing list shows 49 wells producing on April 15, with an aggregate output estimated at 71,900 barrels. Some of the wells are doing more than the figures indicate,

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and in all probability the field was making 72,000 barrels, or better, on the day named.

Seventy Wells Drilling on April 15.

Seventy wells were drilling at Humble on April 15, the name, number and location of each being as follows:

Jordan Gully No. 10, acre 16, Long.
Jordan Gully No. 11, same location.
Jordan Gully No. 12, acre 6, Long.
Jordan Gully No. 13, acre 5, Long.
Jordan Gully No. 14, acre 6, Long.
Jordan Gully No. 15, acre 5, Long.
Jordan Gully No. 16, acre 14, Long.
Jordan Gully No. 17, acre 22, Long.
Edgar No. 2, acre 4, Long.
Edgar No. 3, same location.
Edgar No. 4, acre 13, Long.
Ninety-Nine Pumping Company No. 2 on Collier 5 acres.
Ninety-Nine Pumping Company No. 3, acre 7, Long.
J. M. Guffey Pet. Co. No. 2 on Collier 5 acres.
J. M. Guffey Pet. Co. No. 1 on Barrett 10 acres of Eckols.
J. M. Guffey Pet. Co. No. 2, same location.
J. M. Guffey Pet. Co. No. 3, same location.
J. M. Guffey Pet. Co. No. 1 on the Weed.
Heywood Oil Company No. 1 on Dannenbaum strip, Eckols.
Heywood Oil Company No. 2, same location.
Hamilton Oil Company No. 3, acre 8, Long.
Hamilton Oil Company No. 1, lot 6, block 4, Cherry.
Simms No. 3, lot 19, block 1, Cherry.
Simms No. 4, lot 19, block 2, Chery.
Commonwealth No. 3, lot 1, Block 3, Cherry.
Higgins Oil & Fuel Company No. 2, lot 2, block 3, Cherry.
Higgins Oil & Fuel Company No. 3, lot 2, block 4, Cherry.
Higgins Oil & Fuel Company No. 8, strip 2, Weed. Bailing.
Higgins Oil & Fuel Company No. 9, same location.
Burt-McGaffey No. 2, lot 21, block 1, Cherry.
Boll Weevil Oil Co. No. 1, lot 4, block 4, Cherry.
Jackson & Harper No. 1, lot 7, block 3, Cherry.
Beatty & House No. , lot 10, block 4, Cherry.
Abercromble No. 3, lot 7, block 3, Cherry.
Big Hill Oil & Fuel Company No. 3, strip 8, Weed.
Sinclair & Crosbie Nos. 1 and 2, same location.
Bass Special No. 6, block 5, Blackshear.
Bass Special No. 7, same location.
Wood & Noble No. 1 on Dannenbaum strip, Eckols.
Wood & Brooks No. 3 on the Conway.
Wood & Brooks No. , on Landslide, (Long.) Bailing.
Swayne No. 1, on the Gaffney (Eckols).
Meyers No. 2 on three acres of the Long.
Meyers No. 3, same location.
Wood No. 1, strip 5, Weed.
Ninety-Nine Pumping Company No. 1, acre 29, Long.
Texas-Kentucky Oil Company No. 3, on five acres of the Cherry.
McCallup Bros. No. 1, lot 12, block 3, Cherry.
Devore No. 1, on the Dunman.
Wilkins No. 1 on the Blackshear.
Buffalo Oil Company No. 1, Hughes strip of Dannenbaum.
Buffalo Oil Company No. 2 on Dannenbaum. Bailing.
Lone Acre Oil Company No. 3, strip 7, Weed.
Paraffine No. 4, strip 7, Weed.
Paraffine No. 5, strip 7, Weed.
Paraffine No. 6, same location.
L. M. Hoge, No. , lot 1, Demerritt.
Hughes No. 1, Jones tract, north of Eckols.
Moonshine No. 24, 6 acres of Cherry.
Moonshine No. 19, acre 11, Long.
Moonshine No. 20, lot 16, block 1, Cherry.
Moonshine No. 21, lot 10, block 1, Cherry.
Moonshine No. 18, McShane 2 acres.
Moonshine No. 25, strip 11, Eckols.
Producers-Moonshine Hughes No. 4, strip 9, Weed.
Producer No. 9, Hughes strip of Dannenbaum.
Hughes & McAvoy on Landslide in Long.
Producers-Moonshine on Moore 55 acres.
Hardly Able Oil Co. No. 2 on Holmes tract.
Houston Development Co. No. 2 on Jones tract.

Seventeen Derricks up in New Location.

Seventeen rigs were up on new locations on April 15, as follows:

Heywood Oil Co. No. 4, lot 3, block 4, Cherry.
Hamilton Oil Co. block 8, Blackshear.
Hamilton Oil Co. block 8, Blackshear.
Commonwealth Oil Co. No. 4, lot 1, block 3, Cherry.
Higgins Oil and Fuel Co. No. 4, lot 2, block 3, Cherry.
Burt-McGaffey No. 3, lot 21, block 1, Cherry.
Batson Oil Co. No. 4, lot 4, block 3, Cherry.
Abercromble No. 4, lot 7, block 3, Cherry.
Batson Oil Co. No. 3, Beatty 2 acres of Long.
Beatty & House No. , lot 8, block 3, Cherry.
Sinclair-Crosbie No. , strip 8, Weed.
Wood & Noble No. 3, lot 15, block 1, Cherry.
Meyers No. 4, on 3 acres of Long.
Meyers No. 5, same location.
Rio Bravo No. 2, on Blackshear.
Hughes No. 2 on Jones tract north of Eckols.
Moonshine No. 22 on lot 16, block 1, Cherry.

The Wood & Noble No. 3 is on the same location as the No. 2 well, started by the same people and later abandoned.

Swayne Well Blew Out and "Swallowed" the Drilling Rig.

The spectacular event of the first two weeks of April at Humble was a blow-out at the J. W. Swayne well, drilling on lot 12, block 1 of the Cherry. When the 800-foot gas stratum was penetrated the well got beyond control and began to send mud, rocks and water high into the air. The gas became ignited from the fire under the boiler and the scene that resulted might be compared to a volcanic eruption in miniature. The force of the blow-out became greater with each upheaval and finally the burning derrick and all of the machinery, excepting the boiler, went into the hole. The gas churned the mass of iron and timber, sometimes raising the derrick sills in the air.

There was no casing in the hole and when the fire was finally extinguished everything within twenty feet of the location, excepting the boiler, had been swallowed up in the smoking pit which marked the scene of the blow-out. One pump was hanging half way down the side of the "crater" and was not destroyed.

The engine, rotary, pipe and tools, went into the hole and were destroyed. The drilling outfit was owned by John Underwood.

Piping Oil to Loading Racks at Houston.

There are ample storage facilities at Humble for all the oil that is not being shipped or piped out of the field. The Texas Company has completed its pipe line to Houston, and is now loading oil at the new rack, known as Trice, near the International & Great Northern and Houston East & West Texas crossing. The charge for piping oil to Trice is 10 cents a barrel. The J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company completed its new rack at Humble on the H. E. & W. T. railroad and began loading cars on April 8. Others having loading racks at Humble are the Texas Company, the Mutual Storage Company (R. E. Brooks), House & Beatty, Rio Bravo Oil Company and the Higgins Oil & Fuel Company. The shipments by tank car from Humble last month amounted to 407,327 barrels, or at the rate of about 13,000 barrels a day. With the additional facilities the shipments should be materially increased this month.

Another Pipe Line to Sour Lake.

It is known that the Sun Pipe Line Company, which now operates a line from Sour Lake to Beaumont and from Beaumont to Sabine, has obtained right of way for an extension from Sour Lake to Humble. The pipe for this line has been ordered and it will not take long to lay it—six weeks at the most. By the first or middle of June, therefore, the Humble field will probably have the advantage of another six inch pipe line to Sour Lake. The completed line, part which is owned by the Texas Company and part by the J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company, is handling 10,000 to 12,000 bar-

rels a day. The Sun line, if it is built, will handle equally as much oil, and with the Texas Company's line to Trice and the loading facilities on the railroad at Humble there will be an outlet for fully 40,000 barrels of oil a day.

Shipping Humble Oil by Water.

The Higgins Oil & Fuel Company has begun moving oil on Buffalo Bayou, taking it from the cars at Clinton, about eight miles below Houston, and loading in on barges. The Barge Gusher belonging to the Higgins Company, took on a cargo during the first week in April and was towed to Sabine, by way of Galveston Bay. The Texas Company is putting in an unloading rack at Harrisburg, where there is shallow water for barge transportation to the Gulf.

Price Remains Around 15 cents

The price of Humble oil remains around 15 cents at the wells, with spot sales on board cars at 22 to 25 cents. The Texas Company is offering 20 cents, under the rules of its special Humble regulations regarding earthen storage for oil at the wells.

Stocks of Oil and Aggregate Production.

Stocks of oil in storage at Humble on April 15 amounted to about 2,200,000 barrels. Shipments by rail to that date, including the Texas Company's pipe line to Trice, amounted to approximately 950,000 barrels and the movement by pipe line to Sour Lake had not exceeded 350,000 barrels, or a total movement of 1,300,000 barrels. The production of the field from January 7, when the Beatty No. 2 came in, to April 15, is figured at 3,500,000 barrels.

NOTES ON OPERATIONS AT HUMBLE.

Notes on the Humble field in chronological order:

April 2—Esperson well on the Long stopped flowing. The following wells were put to pumping: Producers on 22 Long, Boynton on 29 Long and East Texas No. 1 on 29 Long.

April 3—Production of the field estimated at 42,000 barrels.

April 4—McAvoy well on 37 Long came in; estimated at 1000 barrels. Commonwealth No. 1 on Cherry 1 stopped flowing. Heywood Oil Company No. 2 on Cherry 3 started flowing. Standard rigs were building on Heywood Oil Company No. 1, Paraffine No. 2 and Higgins Oil & Fuel No. 6, all on the Weed. Jordan Gulf'y No. 9 came in and was estimated at 500 barrels.

April 5—Beatty No. 5 on 19 Long came in and was estimated at 2000 barrels. J. M. Guffey No. 2 on pump station acre came in and was estimated at 6000 barrels. Beatty No. 10 on the Cherry came in. Estimated at 2000 barrels. O. K. No. 1 on 8 Long was bailed in after drilling deeper.

April 7—Commonwealth No. 2 on 5 Cherry, rigging to pump. Standard rig building on Maxwell & Ryan well on 10 Long.

April 8—Blow out at the Moonshine well on W. C. Moore 55 acres one-half mile north of the field. Standard rig building on Batson Oil Company No. 1 on 4 Cherry. L. M. Hoge No. 1 on the DeMerritt next to Guffey pump station acre came in good for 7000 barrels. Guffey Company completed its loading rack at Humble and began shipping.

April 9—Production of the field estimated at 57,000 barrels.

April 10—Higgins Oil & Fuel No. 2 on 2 Cherry, came in, looked like a small well. Wood & Fondren No. 4 on 6 Cherry came in. Estimated at 1500 barrels. Staiti well, southwest of Batson Iron Works, came in. Looked small.

April 12—Swayne well on the Cherry blew out, caught fire and burned derrick and rig. Higgins Oil & Fuel No. 1 on the Weed drilling deeper. Production of the field estimated at 69,000 barrels.

April 13—The Texas Company posted a charge of 10 cents for oil piped from Humble to loading racks at Trice Station, on International & Great Northern and H. E. & W. T. Railroads. Edgar No. 1 on the Long making B. S. Heywood No. 1 on 3 Cherry pumping. Standard rig building on Hughes No. 1 on 36 Long.

April 14—Production estimated at 65,000 barrels.

April 15—Production estimated at 72,000 barrels.

ORGANIZING A COMPANY TO DRILL TEST WELLS IN SOUTHEAST TEXAS.

Beaumont citizens are subscribing to a $20,000 company which will shortly be organized and chartered for the purpose of prospecting for oil in Jefferson, Hardin, Orange and Chambers counties, comprising a portion of Southeast Texas in which several oil pools have already been developed. Thirty names have been subscribed to the prospectus. It is suggested that the directors for the first year be John N. Gilbert, W. B. Dunlap, C. L. Wallis, I. R. Bordages, J. F. Keith, S. W. Pipkin, T. H. Bass, J. Ed. Pew, C. H. Markham, T. J. Donoghue.

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS IN THE OLDER SOUTHEAST TEXAS DISTRICTS.

When the records of production in the Texas-Louisiana districts are completed they will probably show a greater output in April than in any of the preceding months of this year.

On April 15 the production of the various districts was estimated as follows:

Humble	72,000	barrels
Batson	13,000	barrels
Saratoga	11,500	barrels
Sour Lake	11,000	barrels
Spindletop	4,500	barrels
Jennings	40,000	barrels
Total of all districts,	152,000	barrels

There are seventy wells drilling at Humble and if the percentage of completions which has prevailed during the first part of the month is maintained until the end of the month there is reason to believe that the output of the field will be largely increased. The Jennings district will yield not less than 1,000,000 barrels this month, and the Texas districts will probably pass the 3,000,000-barrel mark, so that the combined production may be computed at 4,000,000 barrels. Rail shipments from Texas points in March amounted to 592,685 barrels, and crude shipments from the two ports, 597,971 barrels, or a total of 1,190,656 barrels. The movement from the Jennings (La.) district amounted to 646,311 barrels, making the total movement from all Texas-Louisiana points 1,836,967 barrels.

In the period from April 1 to 15, the movement of all grades of oil from Port Arthur and Sabine amounted to 559,621 barrels, of which 372,431 barrels was crude, an average of 24,829 barrels of crude a day as compared with 19,289 barrels a day in March. Granting that the shipments by rail will be as heavy as in the month of March, and allowing for an increase in the port shipments, it is reasonably safe to estimate the movement for April at 2,000,000 barrels. An output of 4,000,000 barrels will leave 2,000,000 barrels to be placed in storage. Nearly if not quite this amount went into storage in March.

Two Wells Drilling at Spindletop.

Development work in the older districts of Southeast Texas has been retarded by the low market consequent upon the bringing in or large flowing wells at Jennings and Humble.

In the Spindletop field the Guffey people are finishing a new well on the west side which gives promise of being as good as the Gladys No. 55, the last Guffey well to be completed, and the one which was written up as an "old time gusher" because it sprayed

oil up into the derrick for awhile. Nelson, Gordon and others are drilling on the Cartwright tract in the flats and are about due to bring in a well. The field is credited with 4,500 barrels daily production. Guffey price, 34 cents for credit balances.

Five Wells Completed at Saratoga.

At Saratogn there have been five completions since April 1, as follows:

Santa Fe No. 1 B, flowing 400 barrels.

Texas Crude O. & M. Co. No. 1, pumping 350 barrels.

Rio Bravo No. 219, came in flowing and will be pumped.

Guffey-Cotton No. 1, flowing 1,500 barrels.

Guffey-Jordit No. 1, strainer set at 1290 feet. Bailing shows oil of 15 gravity. Will be a pumper.

Total new production, 2250 barrels.

Wells Drilling at Saratoga on April 15 were as ollows:

Sun Company No. 1 on the Jordit, 1,300 feet.

Sun Company No. 1 on the Mary Hopkins, 910 feet.

Santa Fe No. 10, on the Santa Fe, 1290 feet.

Rio Bravo No. 218, pipe twisted off at 1100 feet.

Rio Bravo No. 220, down 620 feet.

Rio Bravo No. 221, down 510 feet.

Britton No. 2, down 800 feet.

Guffey No. 2, on the B. B. B. & C., 500 feet.

Producers No. 2 on the Alvey, down 450 feet.

Texas Crude O. & M. Co. Co. 2, down 932 feet; rigging to drill deeper.

Total wells drilling, 11.

Derricks are up for the following:

Guffey No. 3 on the B. B. B. & C.

Little Jap on Prather, five acres.

Total rigs up, 2.

The production of the Saratoga field on April 15 was estimated at 11,500 barrels. Guffey price for Saratoga crude, 26 cents; the Texas Company offer the same.

Guffey Company Suspends Drilling at Batson.

At Batson the J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company has shut down all new work. This company completed nine wells on the Wing tract in February and March, all of which are good producers, and it is said that the company is now getting 7,000 barrels of oil from its own wells in this field. The wells completed by the Guffey people in February were the Wing Nos. 35, 36 and 38, and in March, the Wing Nos. 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 and 44. Most of them have come in flowing. The oil, as a rule, is heavy, being under 22 gravity, Baume. Two more gas engines are being installed to operate Guffey wells. On the west side of the field, on the Milhome tract, the Armstrong & Christian well which came in last month is showing 30 to 40 per cent of water and B. S. The same people brought in another well recently, but it has not been satisfactorily completed. Batson is credited with 13,000 barrels production. The Guffey price for 22 gravity or better is 28 cents, and for oil under 22 gravity, 26 cents, the Texas Company's price being 26 cents for all grades. The new schedule posted by the Guffey Company on April 4, contained the first example of graded prices that has appeared in Southeast Texas quotations. The difference is only 2 centh a barrel—28 cents for 22 gravity or better, and 26 cents for the lower gravities.

Nothing New at Sour Lake.

The situation at Sour Lake remains unchanged. The field is credited with 11,000 barrels. Guffey price, 30 cents; the Texas Company posts the same figure.

REPORT OF BIG PURCHASE OF JENNINGS ROYALTY OIL IS CONFIRMED.

A report that Carnes, Bass & Benckenstein had purchased the roalty and other interests of the Houssiere-Latrielle Oil Company and Messrs. J. Sully Martel and D. Caffery, Jr., in the Latreille forty acres and the Arnaudet eighty acres at Jennings is confirmed by T. H. Bass. The consideration is said to be in the neighborhood of $500,000. The amount of oil involved, royalties and interest in production already in storage, is said to be 1,500,000 barrels from the Arnaudet and 250,000 barrels from the Latreille forty acres or total of 1,750,000 barrels. The deal includes the royalties on the Producers, Moonshine, Rouge and Flynn wells on the Latreille and all of the wells drilled on royalty contracts on the Arnaudet tract.

It is estimated that the production of the Arnaudet tract has been in excess of 8,000,000 barrels and the Latrielle, 1,000,000 barrels. Inasmuch as both tracts are involved in litigation which is yet to be settled it is impossible to estimate accurately the amount of oil involved. The Martel-Caffery people, however, claim 20 per cent of the Jennings-Heywood Syndicate's interest in the Arnaudet. The syndicate claims 87 1-2 per cent under the terms of its lease. Another construction of the matter gives the Martel-Caffery people 20 per cent of the Syndicate's royalty on all subleases, this royalty being 40 per cent. If this contention is supported the Martel-Caffery people will be entitled to 8 per cent of the total production.

The Carnes, Bass & Benckenstein purchase carries with it the entire interests of Martel and Caffey and the Houssiere-Latreille Company in present and future production. The output of the wells involved in the deal varies from 25,000 to 35,000 barrels a day.

Carnes, Bass & Benckenstein now have over 1,600,000 barrels of oil in storage at Jennings, and if the purchased oil be estimated at 1,750,000 barrels their holdings exceed 3,300,000 barrels. They have sold 750,000 barrels to the Gulf Refining Company and it is understood that other sales bring the total amount which they have contracted to deliver up to 2,000,000 barrels, involving a consideration of about $1,000,000. The pipe line which this firm is building to the Atchafalaya river, fifty-eight miles from the field, will be completed early in May and oil will be delivered to barges on the river and transported to Plaquemine, where it will be piped across a neck of land two miles wide to barges on the Mississippi river. Memphis and other Mississippi river cities will profit by the new arrangement. The Memphis Gas Company has already bought a year's supply, about 40,000 barrels from the Louisiana Petroleum Company and the Gulf Refining Company.

The Jennings oil delivered at Plaquemine will be applied on this contract.

A stratum of oil very light green in color has been encountered at Humble in the Long tract. It was developed in the All Right Oil Company's well and one test showed it to be 28 gravity. There are no facilities in the field for handling it separately, hence no extra inducement is offered to operators to go after it.

The wild cat well sunk by the Warren Oil Company in the Iowa Colony north of Spindletop developed into a salt water producer and has been abandoned.

CRUDE PRICES.

Quotations on Credit Balances as Posted by the Pipe Lines.

J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company.

Batson, 22 gravity or better	28 cents
Batson, under 22 gravity	26 cents
Saratoga	26 cents
Sour Lake	30 cents
Spindletop	34 cents

Above prices posted April 4, 1905.

The Texas Company.

Batson	26 cents
Saratoga	26 cents
Sour Lake	30 cents
Humble	29 cents

These prices do not represent the figures paid for oil delivered under contract for a term of days to the refinery companies.

OPERATIONS IN THE CADDO-SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.

Encouraging developments are reported in the Caddo field, north of Shreveport, La. Both of the Producers Oil Company's wel's, drilling on Caddo island, have experienced blow-outs in the last week, and it is stated that the gas was found in a rock formation. One of the rigs was shut down at last accounts, as a result of the blow out, and the other was having a hard time keeping the gas from getting away with the hole. The gas was encountered between 750 and 850 feet. It blew mud, water and rocks over the derrick.

A standard rig has been built and equipped on the Caddo Lake Oil & Pipe Line Company's No. 1 well. It was operated for an hour and a half, during which time about 15 barrels of oil were pumped into the settling tank. The working barrel got out of order and pending repairs no further attempt had been made to pump the well up to April 15. A two inch pipe line has been laid from this well to the Kansas City Southern railroad, about 1-2 mile east, and a fifty foot loading rack has been built. Three Kansas City Southern system tank cars have been set in on the siding and will be loaded with Caddo oil when the No. 1 well is again in shape to pump.

F. W. Offenhauser of Texarkana, and Robert Steiner of Jennings, have purchased Dr. Frank H. Morrical's interest in the Caddo Lake Company, thus gaining a controlling interest in the concern. Another deal is said to be on for the Savage Brothers' interest. J. W. Libby, a refiner, is after the Savage interest.

The Brown Bros. well, near the Kansas City Southern right of way, is shut down awaiting the arrival of a new boiler.

Nine miles south of Caddo City the South Caddo Oil Company is drilling a wild cat well. The indications are about the same as those encountered on the island.

On Douglas Island, just outside the city limits of Shreveport, W. K. Henderson and others are drilling a wild cat well. The location is not far from the McCormick well, which was sunk below 1600 feet, with showings of gas and oil. S. A. Guy and others have contracted with Savage Bros. to sink the McCormick well to the 2000-foot level.

A sale of Caddo oil at $1.35 a barrel has been reported. It is stated that two Texas refineries have bought car load lots of the oil, to be delivered whenever the pump on the No. 1 well is gotten into working order.

The Latex No. 1 well, northwest of the Caddo Lake No. 1, is going down and was reported to be 1610 feet deep on April 15.

ANOTHER GUSHER BROUGHT IN AT JENNINGS.

The Flynn well on the Latreille forty acres at Jennings came in on the evening of April 13, and is reported to be making 7,000 to 9,000 barrels of oil. The Shultz No. 1 is also reported in. It is a small well. Jennings production is about 40,000 barrels a day.

RIO BRAVO PIPE LINE FROM SARATOGA TO SOUR LAKE.

The Rio Bravo (Southern Pacific) is increasing its equipment, and adding to its facilities in the Saratoga district. The company now has a 55,000 barrel steel tank completed, and is building a 30,000 barrel tank. It will put down three additional wells in the near future. An eight inch pipe line is to be laid by the company from Saratoga to Sour Lake, where there are loading racks on the Southern Pacific railroad. The pipe has been delivered. The Southern Pacific has no line into Saratoga.

At Humble the Rio Bravo Company's equipment consists of two 55,000 barrel and one 30,000 barrel steel tank, a pipe line to the H. E. & W. T. Railroad and loading racks.

RAIL SHIPMENTS FROM HUMBLE IN MARCH, 407,327 BARRELS.

Complete reports of the rail shipments of crude from Humble via the Houston East & West Texas Railroad in March make the numbers of cars loaded 1781, and the amount of oil shipped 407,327 barrels. When the report of shipments was prepared for the April 3 number of the Oil Investors Journal the exact figures for the last eight days' shipments in March were not in and it was necessary to substitute an estimate. According to the estimate the shipments by rail from Humble in March amounted to 1757 cars, or 389,331 barrels. The verified report increases the number of cars by 24 and the amount of oil by 17,996 barrels, making the total rail movement from Texas points in March 2563 cars or 592,685 barrels, and the daily average rail movement 19,119 barrels instead of 18,538 barrels. The total daily average movement of Texas oil, by rail and water, is increased from 37,800 barrels to 38,408 barrels, and the daily average movement from all Texas and Louisiana districts is increased from 58,676 to 59,257 barrels. The total movement from the Texas-Louisiana districts for March is increased from 1,818,978 to 1,836,967 barrels.

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The completion of the Terry well at Welsh on the 10th instant was made the basis of a story to the effect that a 1500-barrel producer had been brought in in the Louisiana field.

Operators who have visited the field report that the well is foaming over the top of the casing and is making from 10 to 20 barrels of 17 gravity oil. A standard rig will be built and the well will be pumped.

The Terry well is about 400 feet west of the old Welsh Oil & Development Company No. 1, the scene of the big blow out three years ago and the only well that is now being operated in the Welsh field. It is believed that the Terry well will make a 75 or 100 barrel pumper.

PIPEAGE RATE FROM HUMBLE TO HOUSTON 10 CENTS.

The Texas Company, on April 13, posted a pipeage rate of 10 cents a barrel on oil transported from Humble to Houston. The loading rack at Houston has been named Trice station in honor of LeRoy Trice, general manager of the International & Great Northern. Cars are now being loaded at the new station.

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THE FATE OF A NIGHT HAWK.

He talked beneath the moon,
And s'ept beneath the sun;
He lived a life of going-to-do
And died with nothing done.

NO OIL COMPANY LEGISLATION IN TEXAS THIS YEAR.

The regular session of the Texas Legislature was adjourned without final action on either of the pipe line or oil company bills on which hearings were held in February and March. On April 14, the day before the Legis'ature adjourned sine die, the bill to give district courts authority to provide regulations for oil fields and requiring owners of salt water wells to plug same, was finally passed and was later signed by Governor Lanham.

HOT AIR ABOUT HUMBLE IN A STOCK COMPANY ADVERTISEMENT.

Three years ago it was easy to lie about the Texas oil fields and not be caught at it. But the day of fakes and fibs has passed down here.

Promoters who do business by means of exaggerated, untruthful or deceiving statements must select some other district as a base of operations, unless they are prepared to be called good and hard.

A display advertisement which occupies all of page 12 of the April 8 number of the Daily Mining Record of Denver, Colo., in which the Rocky Mountain Securities Company of Denver offers stock in the Texas Oil & Land Company, contains a letter dated March 15, 1905, in which this statement is made: "About two months ago the president of the Rocky Mountain Securities Company visited the new oil fie'ds at Humble, Texas, and was fortunate enough to be there the day they brought in Beatty No. 2, **which is producing daily over 14,000 barrels.**"

The truth: Beatty No. 2 stopped flowing on March 13. On March 15, the date of the above letter, it was not making a barrel of oil. It has been revived since that time and was credited with a production of 4,800 to 5000 barrels a day on March 31. The wel' never did make 14,000 barrels of oil in one day on or before the date of the above letter.

Further along in the advertisement, in larger type, this appears:

"Since the above was written we have received the following report of the Beatty No. 2—for the first 30 days—**Have cleared net over $86,000 cash and have over $75,000 worth of oil that we are marketing fast as possible. Production not shrinking a particle.**"

The foregoing is not signed.

The truth: The oil which has been sold from the Beatty No. 2 up to March 15 did not net its owner more than 15 cents a barrel. To make $86,000 in 30 days would require a production of 573,333 barrels, or 19,111 barrels a day, counting all the money received as profit. The well never produced this amount of oil in the time stated, nor was the sum of $86,000 ever realized, net, from its production in 30 days. The owner of the Beatty No. 2 has been the most successful operator at Humble, and yet we doubt if he would take his paralyzed oath that he has netted, over and above all expenses, $86,000 since he brought in his first wel' on January 7—and he and his associates have drilled in more than ten producers.

The further statement that from the first 30 days' run of the Beatty No. 2 over $75,000 worth of oil remained on net, $86,000, is just plain rot.

In the body of the letter this paragraph stands out so boldly that we cannot refrain from knocking the wind out of it:

"It cost approximately $5,000 to bring in this well, and we were, we think, reliably informed that $150,000 was refused for it and five acres of ground the second day after it was brought in. **As the Humble oil is now worth 40 cents a barrel, you can easily figure out why the offer was refused.**"

That 'ast sentence is the limit. The best price that has been paid for Humble oil at the wells has been 20 cents, and the most of it has been sold at less than 16 cents, net. It has never sold at 40 cents. There is not a field in Southeast Texas where the price has been 40 cents a barrel in the last three months.

As to the statement about the offer of $150,000 for the Beatty No. 2 and five acres of ground, it is a little too hazy on its face to be taken seriously. We have never heard of it, and the language in which it is described is sufficiently qualified to indicate that the writer of the advertisement is about the only person who ever did hear of it.

The proposition in behalf of which the advertisement in the Daily Mining Record was printed is strict'y a "wild-cat" according to the statements contained in the announcement. The land on which "an option has been secured" for the company is two miles from the Beatty well. In the mind of any experienced Texas operator the distance would condemn it immediately, as it is outside the proven or defined territory.

Two large half tone views of the Humble field are used to illustrate the Rocky Mountain Securities Company's advertisement. One of them shows a Humble gusher shooting oil skyward.

The usual subscription blank is embodied in the advertisement and on one end of it the fol'owing appears:

This is the only proposition on the market with no brokerage charges, and where the promoters must make a success of the enterprise and return the entire amount paid in by the subscribers before they get any pay for their work.

If there are no brokerage charges and if the promoters get no pay for their work until they return the entire amount subscribed by the treasury stock buyers it must be a benevolent association in disguise. Perhaps Andrew Carnegie is behind it.

The real meat in the cocoanut—the place where the promoters come in for their share—will probably be found in the purchase of the 80 acres of land which the advertisement says is under option to the company at $50 an acre, two miles from the Beatty well. We advise all who contemplate taking stock in the Texas Oil & Land Company to find out particularly about this 'and—who owned it, to whom he sold it, who holds it now and who will profit by the deal in the event that the company buys the 80 acres at $50 an acre.

There are more ways of getting money out of a proposition than by charging brokerage.

The annual meeting of the Drillers Oil Company was not held for the reason that a majority of the stock was not represented.

SOMEONE WILL HAVE TO PAY THE FREIGHT IN KANSAS.

It is said that the Governor of Kansas is not altogether carried away by the anti-Standard Oil craze which has permeated his State, and already feels like warning his people that the relief they expect to obtain from the domination of the trusts, by their legislation against the latter, may not be wholly realized. This shows that the Governor of Kansas is more level headed than those who are in contro' of the Legislature. No one has ever accused me of being a particular friend of the trusts or of the Standard Oil crowd, and I speak only as a conservative observer when I say that in my judgment, the outcry against the Standard Oil in Kansas has behind it not only the general antipathy to this great corporation, which seems to exist more or less in every State, but more particularly a desire on the part of speculators to unload the shares of their companies, at a tremendous profit, on an unsuspecting and sadly beguiled people.

Every one who has watched the speculative currents of this country knows what an oil craze is. Pennsylvania has had one, California and Texas have had one, Kansas is having one now. The discovery of a profitable oil field and reports of the fabulous fortunes made by the discoverers have always led to the organization of wildcat companies in territory adjacent to the newly discovered field. These companies have sprung up like mushrooms during every oil excitement, and their shares have sold like hot cakes. No doubt many of my readers have in their possession absolutely worthless shares of worse than worthless oil companies. This specu'ation has just begun to appear in Kansas, and if the wildcatters can only make the people believe that if the Standard Oil Company is driven out of the field it will help everybody else to make a fortune in the oil business, they will continue to pursue the anti-trust polity.

Agitators have succeeded in inducing the State of Kansas to start a State oil refinery, the first in the United States. Enormous profits have been pictured as the result of this action and the people of Kansas have been told that the virtual exclusion of the Standard Oil and its refineries will make every one else rich who goes into the oil-refining business. The rate-restriction bill passed by the Kansas Legislature and aimed at the Standard has also, it is said, added enormously to the profits of independent refineries, and one of them is boasting that it makes a thousand dollars a week. As a natural result, Kansas will have a dozen independent oil refineries within the year, and the next craze will be to buy oil-refinery stock, and the public wi'l be told by the peddlers of these new and popular securities that the latter will eventually be worth as much as the Standard Oil shares, now selling at over $600 a share. It matters not that these new refinery shares may be offered to a gullible public at from ten cents upward. The people will still continue to swa'low the exaggerations of every prospectus that imagination can conjure up.

But what about the end of this foolishness? What will the deluded and impoverished people say to those who have deluded and impoverished them? Will they turn and rend those who have betrayed them? If so, it will be the first occasion on which this merited retribution has overtaken the despoilers. Mark the predi'ction: When the Kansas State refnery proves to be such a heavy burden to the taxpayers that they are forced to abandon or sell it, and when the wildcat oi'-refinery companies have exhausted their field of operation, the indignant people will be told then as they are being told now, that the Standard Oil is responsible for their loss and suffering, and that Mr. Rockefeller and his associates should be offered up as a vicarious sacrifice. If any one is as bold and impudent, when this thing sha'l happen, as I am now in reminding the people that they were carired away by their impulses, under a leadership as vicious as it was selfish, his sca'p will also be demanded, and probably will be taken. Nevertheless, I make my prophecy and put it in cold type, where it will be on record, and when the day of reckoning comes in Kansas, as it surely will, there may be, and will be, a few of the old-fashioned stamp of honest, thoughtful, conservative men—and I am not so sure but that Governor Hoch will be among them—who will recal' this prediction and abundantly justify the writer thereof.—Jasper, in Leslies' Weekly.

HEYWOOD OIL COMPANY STATEMENT.

Copy for the annual statement of the Heywood Oil Company was received too 'ate for publication in this edition of the Oil Investors Journal. It will be run in a later edition of this (April 18) number. Copies of the paper containing the statement may be obtained by regular subscribers without extra charge by writing to this office.

HOUSTON WANTS TO BE KNOWN AS THE OIL CENTER. OF SOUTH EAST TEXAS.

The Houston Post of Sunday, April 9, contained an article headed "Houston, the Center of the Oil Industry." A map showing the Humble field and various localities where wild cat wells are being drilled accompanied the story. None of the older Southeast Texas districts were shown on the map and Houston's claim as the center of the oil industry was based principally upon the prospect of striking oil at the various points where wild catting is in progress. The fact that Beaumont is situated midway between Jennings and Humble was omitted. Neither was it stated that all the main divisions of the various pipe lines from Humble, Batson, Saratoga and Sour Lake have their termini in the Beaumont-Port Arthur district. There is one line to Houston, the Texas Company's fuel oil line to loading racks at Trice, on the outskirts of the Bayou City. Mention was also omitted of the fact that from ten to fifteen train loads of Jennings oil have been coming to Beaumont for several months past. The location of the large refineries at Beaumont and Port Arthur gives Beaumont the advantage over Houston, and until these plants are removed to Houston or some equally as large are located at Houston the latter city will have no right to be known as the center of the Southeast Texas oil industry .

Philo Lockwood is in Beaumont looking after the business of the Sabine Oil & Marketing Company. This company has one well in Block 21, Spindletop, which has been producing for more than two years. For a while it averaged 85 barrels a day and for the past several months its daily output has been about 65 barrels. It was never a big well but has been steadier than most of the Spindletop producers. The Sabine Oi' & Marketing Company is operating extensively in Kansas. M. L. Lockwood, a veteran Pennsy'vania oil man, is at the head of the company. He is strongly anti-Standard and was one of the early movers in the agitation in Kansas. Philo Lockwood, his son, states that the Sabine Company is producing to the extent of two-thirds of its capacity in Kansas. The new freight rate regulations, he says, give the producers an advantage they did not have before in being able to ship oil at a reasonable rate.

OIL INDICATIONS IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA.

S. A. Hobson, of Jackson, Ala., a brother of Captain Richmond Pearson Hobson, has been looking over the Southeast Texas oil fields for the past two weeks. He has been especially interested in studying the indications which led to the development of the various pools in this territory Mr. Hobson owns considerable property in Alabama on which there are surface indications similar to those which exist at Sour Lake, Saratoga and at Humble. He is anxious to have a test made on his land, and believes that a well sunk to the proper depth will develop oil in goodly quantities.

Mr. Hobson was in Beaumont on the 17th instant. He will return to his home in Jackson the latter part of this week.

While in Beaumont he handed the Oil Investors Journal the following account of an oil fire on the Tombigbee river—on which Jackson is located—in 1841, the original story appearing in the old Niles Register of Baltimore and later in the Mobile Journal:

While Mr. J. M. Cooper was prosecuting the removal of McGrew's shoals, after boring to the depth of 365 feet his augur suddenly dropped and entirely disappeared. In the space of some several moments a deep hollow sound was heard, resembling the rumbling noise of distant thunder from the chasm below, and at the same instant gushed from the shaft they had made, a clear transparent oleaginous substance or liquid, which boils up very similar to the effervesence of a boiling pot; and which owing to the sluggishness of the current has gradually diffused itself over the whole surface of the river. A quantity has been collected, and upon application of fire, it is found to burn equal to the present sperm oil.

To gratify curiosity and make further tests, fire has been applied to the oil on the water, and the whole surface of the river is now burning, emitting a flame of most beautiful appearance, about six inches high, and has already extended about halfway down to Fort Stoddard; the reflection of which upon the horizon at night, presents a most sublime spectacle.

In connection with the foregoing it is recalled by Mr. Hobson that the state of Alabama was the first to appropriate money for river improvements. The dredging of McGrew's Shoals as mentioned above, was done under an appropriation of $10,000, granted by the Alabama legislature in 1841. The benefits of this work are still apparent to navigators of the Tombigbee river.

The Broadmain, a chartered tanker, is expected at Port Arthur shortly to load a cargo of refinery products for the European market.

A STORY ABOUT DUCKS AND OTHERS WHO PLUNGE IN OIL.

A Louisiana oil operator, possessing a fair reputation for veracity and a very excellent one as a story teller, relates the following which will be appreciated by those familiar with the history of the Jennings field and recent developments there:

"It is a common occurrence in the Jennings oil field, I should say in the Jennings field of oil, for journeymen ducks to take 'a flyer' in the oil business. In fact, like many other two-legged fools, they are plungers when it comes to the oil business. Having once gotten into an earthen tank full of oil, it is all they can do to float sufficiently to get ashore, and once saturated with the grease, they can never fly again. It deprives them of their appetite to such an extent that not even Red Raven Splits will bring them back to their feed. They mope around for several days and unless caught and killed, starve to death.

"A representative of a not very successful company in the Jennings district the other day was riding in from the field with the representative of another company, who, in their dealings, rather had the first man on the hip. They were trying to adjust their differences. The first man was begging them for mercy. The two passed one of the unfortunate ducks waddling on the banks on an earthen tank. One of them caught it, put it in his buggy, calculating to take it home with him or kill it. When they crossed the bayou, his heart softening, he decided to do a humane act. He accordingly took the duck, wiped all the oil from it that he possibly could, sqeezing and wringing its feathers, polishing it with a cloth and some paper, and dropped it into the bayou. The duck proceeded to dive and every time he came up, bobbed and nodded his head as much as to say: 'Thank you, you were very kind to me,' etc., etc.

"The man who had thrown the duck in, said to the other one, 'Do you see him bowing his thanks for my kind deed?' The other one replied: 'Yes, and for God's sake treat me with the same kindness and generosity. I too, have plunged in oil. Please wipe every damned drop of it off that you can get off, and let me go.'

It is not related that the request was granted.

The annual meeting of the Heywood Oil Company will be held at the company's office in Beaumont today.

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One site, called the "Explosion Well" where some 38 years ago, at depth of probably less than 1000 feet, entire contents of hole blew out, with a noise heard for miles; blew top of derrick off, caught fire from flame 50 yards away where the laborers were warming, quickly consumed remainder of derrick and large, living oak trees near by; and until it choked up, roared away, burning with a flame as high as a house.

I know all this sounds rather wild but I will make good by showing every item to any satisfactory party who will take trouble to investigate, or, if I fail to do so, pay all expenses of the investigation. I don't want a dollar of your money, wouldn't have it. Don't want to handle or even see it. My turn will come when the oil is struck; for I own or control the properties in question. I will "tote" fair by putting land against development. I wouldn't make such sacrifice, however, if I had the means myself to develop. As to quality of oil in said field, ask G. A. Osborne, field manager Edgar Oil Co. Ask him also what he thinks of that territory generally, from oil and gas standpoint. Address S. A. Hobson, Jackson, (Ala.)

The stockholders of the Texas Company met on March 27 and voted to authorize an increase of the company's capital stock from $3,000,000 to $6,000,000 to provide funds for extensions and improvements. Forty per cent of the new stock will be issued. An amendment to the company's charter, authorizing the increase of the capital stock, has been filed with the secretary of state at Austin.

S. A. Guy, who is largely interested in the Caddo district, near Shreveport, La., spent Sunday, April 6, in Beaumont. He purchased 2,000 feet of 2½ inch pipe to be used in completing the McCormick well on the north side of Shreveport. He visited the Spindletop field in the afternoon and returned to Shreveport on the night train.

SHIPMENTS OF OIL FROM PORT ARTHUR

DATE	RIG	NAME OF VESSEL	LOADED BY	CONSIGNEE	DESTINATION	GRADE	Quantity in Barrels
April							
3	S. S.	Ligonier	Gulf Ref. Co	Gulf Ref. Co.	Gibson's Pt	Solar	17,111
3	"	"	" " "	" " "	" "	Lubr	4,232
3	"	"	" " "	" " "	" "	Crude	7,963
3	"	"	" " "	" " "	" "	Asphalt	2,051
4	Barge	Allegheney	" " "	" " "	Gretna, La	Refined	1,897
4	"	"	" " "	" " "	" "	Lubr	307
4	S. S.	Capt. A. F. Lucas	Nat. Oil & P. L. Co.	Standard Co.	Constable Hook	Crude	42,034
7	"	Russian Prince	Nat. Oil & P. L. Co.	Hav. G.& E.L.Co.	Havana, Cuba	Crude	20,192
10	"	Larimer	Gulf Ref. Co	Gulf Ref. Co.	Bayonne, N. J.	Solar	17,882
10	"	"	" " "	" " "	" "	Lubr. Oil	4,870
10	"	"	" " "	" " "	" "	Asphalt	2,005
10	"	"	" " "	" " "	" "	Crude	4,597
10	"	"	" " "	" " "	" "	Asphalt	841
11	"	Winifred	" " "	" " "	Port Tampa	Crude	19,668
11	"	"	" " "	" " "	" "	Lubr	284
11	"	"	" " "	" " "	" "	Asphalt Oil	10
11	"	"	" " "	" " "	" "	Asphalt	50
11	"	City of Everett	Texas Co	Standard Oil Co.	Constable Hk	Crude	26,845
12	"	Catania	Gulf Ref. Co	Gulf Ref. Co.	Gibson's Pt	Crude	21,391
14	Barge	Flyton	Texas Co	Texas Co	New Orleans	Crude	1,384
14	Barge	"	" "	" "	" "	Steamer oil	5,288
14	S. S.	Florida	" "	" "	" "	Steamer oil	11,698
14	Barge	Providence	Texas Co	" "	New Orleans	Gas Oil	20,380
15	S. S.	Pectan	Gulf Ref. Co	For Orders	Dover, Eng	Crude	67,244
			Total				300,224
			Crude				211,318
			Other grades				88,906

SHIPMENTS OF OIL FROM SABINE

DATE	RIG	NAME OF VESSEL	LOADED BY	CONSIGNEE	DESTINATION	GRADE	Quantity in Barrels
April							
6	S. S.	Toledo	Sun P. L. Co	Sun Co	Marcus Hook	Crude	21,255
7	"	Northwestern	Higgins O. & F. Co.	Standard	New York	Crude	25,204
8	"	Roma	Sun P. L. Co	Sun Co	Marcus Hook	Crude	28,244
9	"	Col. E. L. Drake	Security Oil Co	Standard	New York	Crude	40,192
9	Barge	Barge No. 95	Security Oil Co	"	New York	Gas Oil	49,072
11	S. S.	Lansing	Security Oil Co	Standard	New York	Crude	43,866
11	"	Barge No. 94	Security Oil Co	Standard	New York	Crude	353
11	"	" " "	Security Oil Co	Standard	" "	Gas Oil	49,212
			Total				259,397
			Crude				161,113
			Other grades				98,284

ANSWERS TO INQUIRIES.

Under this heading we will answer to the best of our ability inquiries on any subject touching the Texas-Louisiana oil industry. For special private reports on companies we will charge $2 to $5, payment to be made in advance.

Barbers Hill—Three wells are being sunk in this district. A report was circulated two weeks ago that one of the wells had been brought in, but it was not confirmed. Most of the Texas operators look with favor on the prospects at Barbers Hill, but it seems that the various test wells which have been drilled, have failed to show anything good.

Anglo-American Company—A dead one. Not even enough "remains" for a post mortem.

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Magnolia Oil & Transportation—In the same class with the Maid of Orleans.

Victor—Also badly named.

National Consolidated—A large hot air merger. No oil.

C. H. Todd, general manager of the Petroleum Iron Works Company of Washington, Pa., has been in Beaumont the past week. The Petroleum Iron Works Company does a general business, embracing the construction of oil refineries, oil tanks, waterworks plants and water tanks. It is engaged on contracts in all parts of the United States, a large part of its work being in the oil fields of the East, Kansas, Texas, Louisiana and California.

It is stated, unofficially, that the Higgins Oil & Fuel Company had 239,000 barrels of oil in storage on March 31, of which 102,000 barrels were bought and placed in tanks in March, in addition to the company's own production. The deliveries of oil in March amounted to 166,000 barre's.

Percy M. Simpson, representing A. Andre Fils of Paris, France, has been in Beaumont for a week. He comes from South America where he has been studying the oil markets and the prospects for petroleum production. The firm which Mr. Simpson represents is a very well known one in Europe and is agent for Nobel Brothers, one of the largest concerns in the Russian trade, being both producers and refiners.

The Crowley Oil & Mineral Company paid a fourth dividend of 10 per cent, or $20,000, on April 8, making $80,000 that has been paid to shareholders in the past year. The company reports expenditures in the same period amounting to $50,000 in permanent improvements, including tanks loading rack on the Southern Pacific and a pipe line six miles long from the field to the railroad. The annual shareholders meeting will be held today at Crowley, La.

The Havana Gas & Electric Company has installed a 37,500-barrel steel tank and has bought enough Texas crude to stock it. The first shipment of 20,192 barrels went from the National Oil & Pipe Line docks at Port Arthur on the steamer, Russian Prince, on April 7.

The Union Sulphur Company is putting in a large earthen storage tank to accommodate a reserve supply of fuel oil at its plant near Sulphur Station, La. The company's plant consumes 1100 barrels of fuel oil a day.

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and that he will put on an extra-tance about equal to a city block.

James P. Finegan, manager of the Batson Iron Works, was in Beaumont last week. Mr. Finegan says the Humble shop is working an extra crew and that he will put on an extra-extra crew if the business keeps on growing.

The Paraffine Oil Company has started its third hole at West Liberty, seven miles north of Dayton, Texas, and about midway between Beaumont and Humble. The first two wells showed sufficient oil to encourage a further test. They were not sunk below 800 feet. It is the intention to make the third one a deep test.

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